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TO AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE IMMEDIATE

INFO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: AEMR, LA

SUBJECT: AMERICANS IN SAVANNAKHET

1. WE ARE CONCERNED OVER THE CONTINUED LACK OF A RESOLUTION TO DETENTION OF AMERICANS IN SAVANNAKHET. UNLESS YOU BELIEVE THAT DANGER TO AMERICANS WOULD BE INCREASED, YOU SHOULD ATTEMPT TO FORCE ISSUE BY INFORMING PHOUMI AND MINISTRY OF INTERIOR THAT YOU ARE SENDING AID AIRCRAFT TO SAVANNAKHET IN ORDER BRING AMERICANS OUT (WE NOTED IN RECENT MESSAGE THAT USAID AIRCRAFT HAS DELIVERED SUPPLIES TO AMERICANS IN SAVANNAKHET WITHOUT APPARENT HINDRANCE). YOU SHOULD INFORM LAO AUTHORITIES THAT YOU EXPECT FORCES IN CHARGE TO LET AMERICANS DEPART. IF PHENG PHONGSAVAN HAS FINALLY GONE TO SAVANNAKHET, YOUR DEMARCHE MAY BE FACILITATED.

2. IF THE TWO PUBLIC ROADS OFFICIALS ARE STILL IN XIENG NGUEN NEAR LUANG PRABANG, YOU SHOULD BRING THEM BACK TO  
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